

### **REMARKS**

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application, of which Claims 1 and 11 are independent claims. Claims 1-5 and 11-14 stand rejected for obviousness-type double patenting. Claims 6-10 and 15-20 have been objected to as being dependent from rejected base claims. The Applicant appreciates the allowance of Claims 6-10 and 15-20, if redrafted. To obviate the rejections, a Terminal Disclaimer with the appropriate fee is being filed concurrently with this Response.

Reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested.

### **CONCLUSION**

In view of the filing of the Terminal Disclaimer, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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